Fort Randall, Latrine and Bath (Navy Town, Latrine and Bath) Northeast of intersection of California Boulevard and Nurse Drive Navy Town, Fort Randall Cold Bay Aleutian Islands Division Alaska

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## HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

FORT RANDALL, LATRINE AND BATH

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(Navy Town, Latrine and Bath)

Location:

Northeast of intersection of California Boulevard and

Nurse Drive, Navy Town, Fort Randall, Cold Bay,

Aleutian Islands Division, Alaska

Present Owner:

Department of Defense

Present Use:

Demolished in 1985 as part of the Department of

Defense Environmental Restoration Program.

Significance:

Throughout the Aleutian Islands, the military

constructed wood frame latrines and baths to provide personnel with hot showers and relatively comfortable bathroom facilities. This 1942 building was a typical

example of such a structure.

Description:

The latrine and bath were built of CCC-type prefabricated wood frame sections, which were also used for warehouses and messes. One problem with this type of structure is that its kind of flooring did not adapt well to the difficult, unstable soil conditions (frozen mud in the winter; thick, deep, sticky mud in the thaw) of the Aleutians. This particular building was apparently unique in that it had decorative sea

horses painted on the interior.

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